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Title: Hospital Bed Obstacle Detection Device and Method.
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Applicant(s): Carl William Riley et al.
Examiner: Robert G. Santos
Art Unit: 3673

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Sir:

This is a response to the Office action mailed on July 14, 2008 and having a three month shortened statutory period for response.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

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